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Sir:

In the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 31, 2000, Applicants reported that copies of three references cited in the PCT Search Report and listed on the form PTO-1449 were not included because they had not yet been provided to the undersigned. Those three references are JP 05 309 0 00 A (line AC); Patent Abstracts of Japan, vol. 18, no. 114, 1994 (line AN); and Brink et al. (line AT).

The three above identified references have now been provided to the undersigned and are submitted herewith.

No fee or certification is required in connection with this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement since it is being submitted prior to the issuance of a first official action on the merits as well as prior to the expiration of the three month period following filing of the present application.

These references are provided so that the Patent and Trademark Office can determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. It is respectfully requested that the information be considered during the prosecution of this application and that the cited documents be listed on the front page of any patent issuing from this application.

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